

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The examiner asserted that the amendment to the Abstract filed September 28, 2006 was not compliant in that strikethrough was used to cancel the word “is”.

The examiner noted that the amendment to the Abstract should be included in the section entitled “Amendments to the Specification.”

The corrected portion of the “Amendments to the Specification” section is shown on page 12 of the instant response.

A review of the amended specification portions has not revealed any additional non-compliances.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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